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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 05788.0189-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Giacomo Stefano Roba et al.) Group Art Unit: 2831
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Application No.: 09/986,622) Examiner: James H. Derrington
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Filed: March 5, 2003)
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For: METHOD AND INDUCTION) Confirmation No.: 5933
) FURNACE FOR DRAWING)
) LARGE DIAMETER PREFORMS)
) TO OPTICAL FIBRES)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

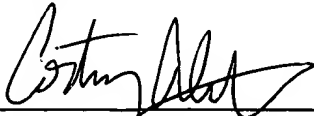
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants' petition for a three-month extension of time to reply to the Office action of December 2, 2004. A fee of \$1,020.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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